

## Emergency Management Acronyms

AEC - Assistant Emergency Coordinator (ARES/RACES)  
ARES/RACES - Amateur Radio Emergency Services/Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services  
ATC-20 - Applied Technology Council – Course re Procedures for Post-earthquake Safety Evaluation of Buildings  
BAT - Building Assessment Team  
BPC - Block Preparedness Coordinator  
CBRNE - Chemical, Biological, Radiological/ Nuclear and Explosive  
CCC - Citizen Corps Council  
CDN - Community Disaster Network  
CEP – Community Emergency Plan  
CERT - Community Emergency Response Team  
CI/KR - Critical Infrastructure/Key Resources  
CM - City Manager  
CMO - City Manager's Office  
COOP - Continuity of Operations Plan  
CPAU - City of Palo Alto Utilities  
CSD - Community Services Department (Parks & Recreation)  
DA APP - Damage Assessment Application  
DHS - Department of Homeland Security  
DMI - Disaster Management Initiative  
DOC - Department Operations Center or Division Operations Center  
DPS - Department of Public Safety  
DSW - Disaster Service Worker  
EC – Emergency Coordinator  
EH&S - Environmental Health and Safety  
EMS - Emergency Medical Services  
EOC - Emergency Operations Center  
EPREP - Emergency Preparedness  
ESV - Emergency Service Volunteer  
EVC - Emergency Volunteer Center  
FD - Fire Department  
FEMA - Federal Emergency Management Agency  
FRS - Family Radio System  
GMRS – General Mobile Radio Service  
HVA - Hazard Vulnerability Assessment  
IC –Incident Command  
ICS –Incident Command System  
ICP – Incident Command Post  
JIC - Joint Information Center  
JPA - Joint Powers Agency  
LA - Los Altos  
LAH - Los Altos Hills  
LG - Local Government (radio channel)  
LHMP - Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

MACS - Mutual Aid Communicators (Amateur Radio, run by Santa Clara Co.)  
MEOC - Mobile Emergency Operations Center  
MOF - Moffett Field  
MRC - Medical Reserve Corps  
MTV - Mountain View  
MURS – Multi-Use Radio Service  
NCRIC - Northern California Regional Intelligence Center  
NET – Net Control Station  
NHW - Neighborhood Watch  
NIMS - National Incident Management System  
NIPP - National Infrastructure Protection Plan  
NORTAC - Mutual Aid Police/EOC Radio Channel w/ Palo Alto, Los Altos, Mountain View  
NPC - Neighborhood Preparedness Coordinator  
NRF - National Response Framework  
OES - Office of Emergency Services  
PAMF - Palo Alto Medical Foundation  
PAN - Palo Alto Neighborhoods  
PAPD - Palo Alto Police Department  
PARC - PARC, a Xerox company  
PAUSD - Palo Alto Unified School District  
PD - Police Department  
PIO - Public Information Officer  
PLNG - Planning Department  
POC - Point of Contact  
POD - Point of Distribution  
PW - Public Works  
RADO - Radio Operator  
SAR -Search and Rescue  
SCRL - Stanford  
SNY - Sunnyvale  
SOM -Stanford School of Medicine  
SPECS - South Peninsula Emergency Communications System (Amateur Radio)  
SSC – Stanford Shopping Center  
StEMS - Stanford EMS (student volunteer medics)  
TEDT - Training and Exercise Design Team  
THIRA - Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment  
TL - Team Leader  
UASI - Urban Area Security Initiative  
VA - Veterans Administration